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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Applicant herewith submits the following preliminary amendment concurrent with the a request for status of correction of filing receipt.

A substitute specification and formal drawings are submitted herewith. The formal drawings resulted in splitting of several drawings into two sheets due to margin and character size requirements. Thus the specification which referred to these drawings required correction It was also noted that the specification had odd paragraphing which occurred on printout of the specification which made review thereof cumbersome. Accordingly, the applicant also include a reprint of the specification correcting this misprint of paragraphs. On review other minor errors were noted and corrections requested as indicated below. In addition to the reprinted specification, a read lined specification is also included showing the locations of all changes all in accordance with the PTO business goals amended rules. All amendments noted herein are made with respect to the reprinted version of the specification.

## IN THE DRAWINGS

Due to size requirements, the formal drawings require the expansion of Figure 9 from 1.0 one page to two and it is therefore split into two Figures 9A and 9B. Accordingly, the specification must also be amended to correct the reference to the drawings in the substitute

specification at pages 8 of 87 and 19 of 87 which correspond to pages 10 of 91 and 24 of 91 of the application as originally submitted.

The formal drawings are submitted herewith. Figures 3 & 4, Figures 11A & 11B, and Figures 16 & 17 were on separate sheets and are not each on a single sheet. Figures 19A and 19B, Figures 20A and 20B, Figures 21A and 21B, Figures 22A and 22B, Figures 23A and 23B were each grouped on single sheets and are now on separate sheets. The size of Figure 9 required that the figure be split into two Figures 9A and 9B and are now included in the Formal Drawings.

Please substitute the formal drawings sheets as follows:

10	As Originally Submitted	Substitute New Formal Drawings
	Figures 1-2	Figures 1-2
	Figures 3 & 4 on separate sheet	Figures 3 & 4 on single sheet
	Figures 5A & 5B	Figures 5A & 5B
	Figures 6-7	Figures 6-7
15	Figures 8A-8B	Figures 8A-8B
	Figure 9	Figures 9A-9B
	Figures 10A-10B	Figures 10A-10B
	Figures 11A & 11B separate sheets	Figures 11A & 11B single sheet
	Figures 12-15	Figures 12-15
20	Figures 16 & 17 separate sheets	Figures 16 & 17 single sheet
	Figures 18A-18E single sheet	Figures 18A & 18B single sheet
	·	Figures 18C & 18D single sheet
	•	Figure 18E single sheet
	Figures 19A & 19B single sheet	Figure 19A and 19B separate sheets
25	Figures 20A & 20B single sheet	Figure 20A and 20B separate sheets
	Figures 21A & 21B single sheet	Figure 21A and 21B separate sheets
	Figures 22A & 22B single sheet	Figure 22A and 22B separate sheets
	Figures 23A & 23B single sheet	Figure 23A and 23B separate sheets
	Figure 24-25	Figure 24-25

As a result of the change of figure 9 to figures 9A and 9B due to size, the reference in the specification to these drawings needs to be changed. In addition, a change has been make to figure 6 to add a missing block referred to in the specification. A red lined correction is included.

A separate letter to the official draftsman is enclosed.

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